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FINAL CHRISTMAS RUSH STARTS AT ALL STORES

Despite "Shop Early" Warnings, Merchants Believe Crowds Will Throng Shops—Appropriate Exercises to Be Held This Week.

Today sees the beginning of the final Christmas rush when, despite the kindly adjurations of various organizations, the inevitable late shopper will bolt from department store to department store, seeking something that he may buy and give away. In preparation of this merry time the stores of the downtown district have made arrangements for the employment of extra clerks.

Preparations for the various Christmas exercises to be held have been completed in practically all of the institutions in the city. In nearly all of the churches big Christmas trees have been decorated preparatory to the Christmas treat for the children.

All public buildings, of course, will be closed during the day. Among these are the Congressional Library and the National Museum. The government half

holiday, granted to clerks because last Christmas fell on Sunday, will be eliminated this year, and instead the various departments will close at the customary hour of 4:30.

The press of Christmas shopping was so great last week as to lead managers generally to the belief that the last-hour rush will not be as serious this year as it has been in days gone by. Many orders for late delivery have been recorded at the stores.

"We're putting out everything we have now," said one tired general manager. "And by Saturday night everything but a few remnants will have been purchased."

For the aid of the belated shopper many stores have taken to putting up "guide" signs which are suggestions for perplexed gift givers. These have been found to be of great assistance.

EXPECT DIVINE AID FOR THEIR LEADER

"Holy Ghost and Us" Members Pray Constantly.

Durham, Me., Dec. 17.—The people of the "Holy Ghost and Us" Society firmly expect Divine interposition in behalf of their leader, Rev. Frank W. Sandford, who is to be sentenced to-morrow in the United States Court at Portland for manslaughter.

Here at the hilltop the mighty concourse of believers, led by leadership of sanctity and recruited by the same hardship from the most zealous, have assembled to witness the second coming of the Lord. Here they are paying homage to their religion and to the invisible leader who in this final moment of his glory, they believe, is about to suffer martyrdom. The hero is that leader giving forth his last message to his flock before receiving his sentence. And here Charles E. Holland has been appointed the shepherd, who will care for the flock during the leader's term of imprisonment.

Probably never since the founding of the sect has such excitement and such fraternal ardor obtained there. Entire days are spent in prayer. Meetings are held for hours, and the eloquent voices of the worshippers may be heard even as far as the roadway in front of the temple. In the golden tower, commanding a view of all the country around, is a room of prayer. Here, since the very day of its erection, there has never been a single instant in which some man or woman has not on bended knees offered up a prayer for Shiloh and for humanity. Today the prayers are redoubled.

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RENOMINATION IS PARTY'S HISTORY

Gen. Grosvenor Says Taft Should Be Named Again.

Gen. Charles H. Grosvenor, long an eminent figure in Congress from Ohio, and famous both in political and legislative circles, came from his Athens home yesterday for a conference with his fellow-members of the Chickamauga Park Commission. While Gen. Grosvenor is something over seventy, he remains wonderfully alert, especially when there is a political topic worthy of discussion. He has been something of a President-maker himself in days ago, and is not considered out of the game, even if he is out of Congress and lamenting that a Democrat represents his famous old district.

Speaking to a Washington Herald reporter at the Hotel Dewey last night, Gen. Grosvenor said that while there is some organization in Ohio favorable to the candidacy of Senator La Follette, the movement had not reached a point where it was regarded seriously by the President's friends. He believes that the President will be renominated because "one of the fundamental factors in the organization of the Republican party, and practically as well in the Democratic party, has been the unwritten but sacredly maintained proposition that a candidate for President who has faithfully represented his party and stood for the interests of his country, and been governed by the principles laid down in the platform upon which he was elected, shall have a second term."

Gen. Grosvenor referred to Lincoln, Grant, Harrison, McKinley, and Roosevelt as illustrating his assertion. "There never was a time in the history of the Republican party," he said, "when a failure to renominate its successful candidate for a second term would not have been held to be a complete revolution in party purposes." He added that as the President had been faithful to the Republican declaration of principles, and as the party did not propose to abandon these principles, it was neither logical nor just to consider any other name.

"If the President has been wrong," he asserted, "the Republican party is wrong. If he has been right, he is entitled to the approval of the party, and the historical method of its approval has been a second term."

According to Gen. Grosvenor, the convention may, in addition to reasserting its former principles, add new suggestions and new promises of future action, but he insisted that to repudiate Mr. Taft would be equivalent to going before the country with a plea of guilt. He added that those who did not like the Republican party had a perfect right to sever their connection with it. "But," he said, "when they do it, they should do it upon grounds sufficient to justify a change of name, a change of organization, and the formation of a new and distinct party."

Gen. Grosvenor believes that New York will, as usual, be the pivotal State, and that the candidate who carries New York will be elected.

QUEEN MARY AT AVRA.

King George on Way to Nepal Region for Tiger Hunting.

Delhi, Dec. 17.—Queen Mary and her suite arrived at Avra to-day, escorted by the Thirteenth Hussars. The Queen and her attendants visited the Taj Mahal during the evening. The royal party will remain in this vicinity while King George is tiger hunting in the Nepal region.

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Wife of Frank Gould Has Hand-some Christmas Present.

New York, Dec. 17.—It was learned to-day that Santa Claus had dropped a "half million dollar" necklace of pearls in New York, and that the fortunate recipient is the attractive young wife of Frank Jay Gould, 34 Fifth avenue. This beautiful rope of fascinating gems is said to be arranged in a trio of perfectly graduated strands and to have been recently imported from Paris at Mr. Gould's order.

Mr. Gould, who has long been known as a fancier of pearls, modestly declined to discuss the cost of the jewels, when asked about the charming Christmas gift to-night. Urged to relate the interesting story of the purchase of these rare gems, he said:

"Mrs. Gould is now wearing a double-strand rope of pearls which I have presented to her—yes, a Christmas gift, if you wish—after negotiation for their purchase over a period of perhaps five months. But they did not cost me half a million dollars. No; I cannot tell you what I paid for them, or give figures as to their value."

Percival Pollard Dead.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 17.—Percival Pollard, the well-known author and critic, died to-day at Johns Hopkins Hospital from the effects of an operation which he underwent two weeks ago.

WINSLOW IN COMMAND.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 17.—Rear Admiral Cameron McRea Winslow, the daring naval officer who cut the cables off Cuba during the Spanish war in a steam launch while the Spanish troops raised musketry fire on the officer and his crew, has received orders assigning him to command the second division of the Atlantic fleet in the New York Navy Yard and to fly his flag from the battle ship Louisiana.

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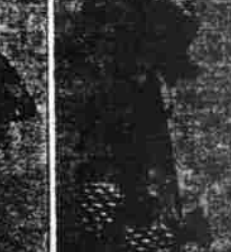
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